

To the honorable judge Benita Y. Pearson August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020

Your Honor,

My name is Desiree Hoinowski. I am the fiancé of Wayne Norris whom is currently awaiting sentencing for drug charges. He is incredibly sorry and he carries an enormous amount of guilt for what he has done. Life has never been easy for Wayne. His father was barely around and he suffered a lot of abuse during his childhood and teenage years. Despite all of his challenges, he is a warm and loving father and partner. We are building our life together and we have been working on our business, a restaurant, which has always been our dream. His driving force is always his children whom love and miss him very much. His sisters look up to him as he has always been their support system and he has always treated their children like his own. He cares for his mother that misses her only son. Wayne is such an important part in this family and we all want and need him back home with us. I personally stand behind him and I know he has changed and



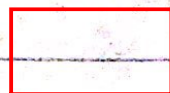
will never get in trouble with the law again. I have faith in him.

He suffers from Graves disease and his symptoms have been continually getting worse. The numbness in his arms and hands is now constant, his vision is worsening and he is experiencing trouble remembering things. He is at a higher risk of contracting Covid 19 because he is immunocompromised. I fear for his life every day.

He did not have a father in his life but his children still have a chance to. We all love him so much and we are hoping and praying to have him back home with us.

Yours respectfully,

Desiree Hoinowski





Dear Judge Anita Pearson

Wayne is the foundation of our family. He's our serenity, security and stability. He's always there to pick up where ever I fall short. He makes sure our family is good before he thinks about anything else. Providing for our family has always been priority to him, and he refused to not be able to give them the things they need and want. He is an incredibly selfless person, and has worked so hard to put his all into building a future for our kids, so that one day he would be able to pass it down to them, and be proud of it. They all were excited about working with their dad in the pizza shop he was working on.

Wayne takes pride in being involved in our children's lives. He never wanted them to feel like they couldn't depend on him for anything they needed. Rather it was support or to listen, it didn't matter he's here for it all.



During the week he took all of the kids to school and picked them up. He attended teacher conferences, he picked them up when they called home sick from school. After school activities such as concerts, and football games, and practices, he was there to encourage them to do their best, and support them. He did all of this while starting a new business. Jaden (our oldest son) had a school assignment to write about someone who inspired him, he chose to write about his dad. Because despite the odds against him from growing up in poverty and experiencing the things that he has in life, he was still able to pursue his dream of opening a business.

Life without him these past months have been rough on all of us. Without his support I'm forced to work 60-70 hr weeks to support our family the best I can. I hate that it takes away from the time I could be spending with my kids. But I'm all they have at home now. There's an overwhelming gap in our home, Wayne has



been doing the best he can to continue to be there for Jaden, Lucas, Bella and myself. He makes sure they know he loves them and is always thinking of them. He tries to stay involved in whatever they have going on, and gives them support and encouragement in everything they do.

A lot has changed in a short period of time. While learning to cope with their dad being away, they've also had to cope with staying home from school, staying away from family and friends, and not being able to at least visit with their dad due to Covid 19. This is an influential time in their lives. They need both of their parents. Phone calls, letters, and pictures can only go so far. They need to be able to see and hug their dad. It's difficult to try to explain to them that we don't know when they will be able to see him again.

I pray that Wayne gets to come home as he left us. Because he has graves disease he is more susceptible to contract the Corona Virus, and is more likely to



suffer from severe complications. He has made his mistakes, but they do not define who ~~he~~ he is and his life shouldn't be jeopardized because of them. I plead that you are able to see past his mistakes and see him for the loving, selfless, amazing person he truly is, and bring him back home to us as soon as possible. Thank you for your time and consideration

Sincerely,

Stacy Norris



Dear Judge I think my dad's sentence should be reduced because everything he's done for me and my family. When my dad was home he would make sure we were in check and that we were keeping our grades up. He would make sure me and my siblings have the opportunities he didn't growing up. When he first came home he told us he wanted to open up his own stuff like a restaurant and how he wanted me and my brother to help him with it.

Whenever we needed something that involved money instead of him just giving us the money he would make us work for it by doing yard work or



Something as simple  
as cleaning his car.

If his sentence gets  
reduced he would be  
able to come to my  
football games. He'd  
be there when I get  
my first job or even  
my first high school  
dance.

But the biggest  
reason is the support  
he gives all of us it's  
crazy how it all  
comes from one  
person. We would always  
talk before and  
after school just about  
anything but they  
would always  
help and make me  
feel better.

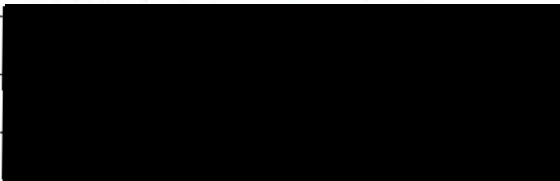
Sincerely Jade Morris



Dear Judge

Daddy and me did lots of things together. We had fun at the park and Chuckle cheese. I miss him very much. I love to spend time with my daddy. I've been crying without him, because it has been so long since I've seen him. Please let my daddy come home soon so we can be a family again.

Sincerely





Dear Judge

I miss my dad because I love him. I want it to be like it use to be. My dad help me with alot of things. He help me with my homework. He drove me to school everyday and he took us out to eat to spend time with us after school. He help me figure out and get all the equipment I need to start my youtube channel. We talked about ideas I could use for videos. I miss play mortal kombat with him is family even though nobody could beat him.

I was really sad when I found out where he was like without my dad isn't any life I wanted. I haven't been the same at home since. I really just want my dad home. We need him because things are getting harder without him. Our family can't be complete without him. I don't want him to miss out on big moments in our lives.

~~Sincerely~~  
Sincerely,



July 25, 2020

To whom it may concern -

My name is Shannon Norris. I am writing you this letter today to give you some insight on how my cousin Wayne Norris has impacted my life. Throughout my life like many individuals I've had my ups and downs. After I turned 18 I got sober I been so for six years now. My cousin Wayne provides me with positive words of encouragement and prayers when I don't feel that I can continue in my path. He provides me with someone that I can relate to and can trust. Not simply because Wayne is my family, but because that's the type of man he is!! One you can



trust.

Wayne taught me the value of trust. He taught what the value of true friendship. He also taught me what it meant to be a true friend.

These are just a few!!

My cousin Wayne gave me so much insight it amazes me and more comes everyday.

Thank you again for reading my letter.

Sincerely,  
Shannon  
Norris



7/30/2020

To whom it may concern :

I am writing this letter in regards to Wayne Norris.

To me Wayne is more than just my brother he has been like a father to me both financially and emotionally as well as physically. Wayne is a very wise man for that I've been nothing more but grateful. Being a young African American single mother he stepped in and helped me with my 3 children when he didn't have to because he has 3 of his own. My brother/ father being away from me and my children has been hard emotionally and physically because there's things that I need from him that I can no longer receive because he no longer a phone call away. I am aware of his mistakes he's made but his intentions were pure. Our mother was/ is a single mother of seven ... and even though the cycle was due to repeat he has changed that. Wayne is the heart of his sisters and we all need him to protect us from the things we cannot see, or to blind to catch for that matter. My father left my life when I was 15 and from that moment on my brother was there to push me to finish school, he was there to motivate me to finish college, he taught me to never depend on a man, not even him & I find mind self doing just that. The difference between then and now is that he was here to reassure me that I can do it, what ever obstacle that I may face never second guess my self.

I Jessica Pearson am not asking for him to be free, I am just writing this letter to ask for Leniency on him and his sentence. To take into consideration he is is a dad to multiple but a father to three and we need him. I don't want my sons to loose their only positive father figure that have regardless of the mistakes he's made. Wayne has a family that love him dearly and needs him very much. I am speaking for us a whole, we are willing to help him take the right steps in letting this path he's chosen go.



Thank you

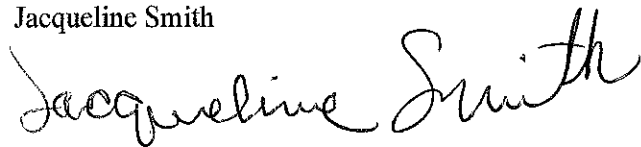
Jessica Pearson

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My name is Jacqueline Smith. I'm one of Wayne Norris's aunts, his mother's oldest sister. Wayne has been a focused and respectable young man growing up. Over the years of helping raise Wayne I can say he came up to be a decent, honest man, because here we have a boy growing up without his father being or even trying to be in his life. So he was left for my sister (Mom) and myself (Jackie) to teach him to be a man, but society has always said that "A woman can never teach a boy how to be a man", but I think my sister and myself did an excellent job. Wayne has been a blessing to me over the years because of the things my sister and myself implemented to him regarding Family values. I can say Wayne has changed that cycle in regards to being an absent parent/father to his children. So I think he should be given a 2nd chance because him being absent from his family especially his children will only repeat the cycle to his children and those things we have taught him over the years of teaching him how to be a great man to society and teaching his children will be lost.

Sincerely Yours,  
Jacqueline Smith

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July 30th, 2020

To Whom This May Concern:

My name is Angelia Dean and I'm a family friend of Wayne Norris. I'm a STNA at a nursing home in Westlake Ohio. I'm 20 years old and I have been working as an aid for 4 years now while I'm in college for nursing . I know I'm not anyone important but I am so grateful to have Wayne in my life. He has done nothing but motivate me every time I see him . Wayne was ALWAYS smiling and laughing, i've never once seen him upset before. He would write to me every morning wanting to work out and he taught me how to eat healthier and push to be the best I can be. If anyone deserves a chance it's Wayne he has a mind set not many people in this world have anymore. He has the most beautiful, respectful and kind family. I've been best friends with his sister for over 7 years I've been with them from start to finish they have helped me from having a safe place to stay and rides back and in forth in high school or to and from school dances I can never forget the support his family gave me and it just breaks my heart that's somebody with such a kind heart and sane mind would be locked away from his family and friends who supports and love him so much. This world isn't much anymore but it would be nice if he could be there for his children to shelter them through this tough time. I pray that he gets to see this world again. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Angelia Dean

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July 25, 2020

To whom it May Concern:

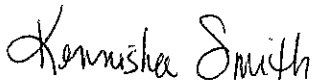
I am writing in regards to my brother, Wayne Norris. I am his sister Kennisha Smith. Having said that, I am asking for your mercy on him. My brother is a good man. He has four beautiful children that need him. He plays an active role in their lives, and with him being absent is greatly affecting them.

Wayne obviously is not perfect, and made some sub par decisions that has landed him in the situation he is in now. The reality of those decisions is not only affecting him and his kids but his family as well. He plays a vital role in our family. He is like the glue that holds us together and keeps us lifted up physically, spiritually, and mentally.

I know my brother realizes the mistakes he has made and I know he is working on making the changes he needs to in order to become a better man. Please consider giving him a more lenient sentence. I know you will not be disappointed in the end. He has great support. He is willing and ready to do whatever it takes to be a successful black man.

Thank you for taking time and considering my request. I appreciate all you do.

Kennisha Smith

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July 24, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Pamela Smith. I reside at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] I am a Deli Clerk at Apples Grocery Store here in Elyria.

I am writing this letter in support of my son, Wayne Norris (67554060).

Despite being away from his family during this time he is still a support to me, his children, nieces, nephews and our entire family. He checks in with us as much as he can and always has an encouraging word for us. During his time of confinement, I have come to hear maturity in his words when we talk. Wisdom. Sometimes people have to grow and mature. I hear how important family is to him and that he has learned from his past mistakes. He has a desire to start fresh and make a different path for himself and his children. I feel given a second chance my son can be a productive citizen.

I am completely supportive of helping my son get reestablished in society, finding employment, seeing his parole officer consistently, going back to school. Anything that is positive and productive in helping him make the transition back into society and being a productive citizen and father.

I would like to add in closing that I am very concerned about his wellbeing and health during this pandemic. The number of cases of COVID 19 are running high right now.

Thank you for your consideration in this important matter.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Pamela Smith

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July 24, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Jazzman Pearson. I am Wayne

Norris's sister and I am writing this letter in support of him. Although his circumstances, he still manages to keep such a positive, uplifting attitude towards any and everything, always. I think that's what I admire most about him, no matter the situation he always manages to keep our family together in faith that things will work out for the better. To see Wayne as a father is something so incredible to experience, he's so involved and so active in whatever they're doing and so in depth to make sure that they have whatever it is that they need physically and mentally. Being their aunt is so humbling but yet so emotionally because I can see they are affected by his absence, they are so used to him being around and being able to watch movies and enjoy long car rides with him.

Although Wayne has made mistakes, I feel as though he wants so much more for himself. He's become more of a father figure to me than anyone I know, he's always lecturing me that I should go travel to the world and see new things and always giving me ideas to better myself. I feel like people are capable of change in due time if given the opportunity. I feel as though he could be a productive citizen in society and make change for not only himself but for the people around him. We will continue to be his biggest support system as he has been for all of us through everything.

Thank you for your consideration in this important matter.

Sincerely,  
Jazzman Pearson

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